

STRIX ALBIFRONS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Rostrum aduncum (absque cera.)

Nares pennis fetaceis recumbentibus obtectæ.

Caput grande: auribus oculisque magnis.

Lingua bifida.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 131.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS.

STRIX FERRUGINEO-FUSCA, subtus pallidior, fronte alba, remigibus albo nigroque fasciatis.

Perpusillam hanc strigis speciem suspicor nunquam antea depictam fuisse aut descriptam. In America septentrionali, præcipue autem in Canada generatur. Fronte alba, quæ insigniter marem? distinguit, caret quæ putatur esse femina. In generis divisione quæ species *læves* seu *inauritas* continet, reponitur strix albifrons.



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THE
WHITE-FRONTED OWL.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Bill crooked, (not furnished with a cere.)
Nostrils covered with recumbent bristly feathers.
Head large: *Ears* and *Eyes* large.
Tongue bifid.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

FERRUGINOUS - BROWN OWL, paler beneath, with the forehead white, and the remiges barred with black and white.

The very curious and diminutive species of owl here represented in its natural size, has perhaps never been either figured or described. It is a native of North America, and particularly of Canada. The supposed female is destitute of the white forehead, which forms so conspicuous a character in the male? It belongs to the division of smooth or hornless owls.